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### **Lt. Governor Peter Kinder Promotes Low Income Energy Assistance Program**

*Program offers help during fall and winter months*

**Jefferson City-** Missouri Lieutenant Governor Peter Kinder is reminding Missourians that during the recent zero degree temperatures this week across the state, that assistance is available for low income families through the Low Income Energy Assistance Program administered through the Missouri Department of Social Services and the Community Action Agency in your community.

“The early below freezing weather that has hit Missouri this week, should remind us all that many of our friends and neighbors may need a help in paying their energy bills,” said Lt. Governor Kinder. He added, “The Low Income Energy Assistance Program is designed to give assistance with this basic need to eligible Missourians during the winter months.

Benefits under the program vary depending according to income, household size, and type of fuel used for home heating. You do not need to own the home or apartment to qualify. Contact one of the 19 local Community Action Agency offices in Missouri for more information, or go to <http://www.ltgov.mo.gov/energy.pdf> on the Lt. Governor’s website for details.